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My dear brother & mother

it is with pleasure
& get a sad heart that I now take my pen
to write you a few lines we are well as
far as bodily health is concerned but I
have met with quite an accident that is
a sawing of my left fingers on saturday
last but I am in hopes that I shall
not be lade up a great while but I cant tell
as to that for it is vray warm weather now
we are well as to the exception of that I
received a letter from you last week
I was happy to hear from you but was sorry to
hear that your health was so poor my
health has ^{been} first rate since I was sick
last winter I should like to see you first
rate & all the rest of the folks but
I begin to think that the folks
dont want to see me here I
have ben a keeping house moast
a year & none of them ben to

see me well they can do as they like
they can come or stay away though?
I should be glad to see one & all I guess
I can find a cup of tea & a cold potatoe
for them well brother you will have to
excuse a short letter for my hand trembles
so it is impossible for me to write I
have one of the nicest gardens in the
country I shall have a mess of green peas
the fourth my cucumbers is ready to blow
may says she guesses you have all forgotten
her fred was coming over here to work
& that is the last I have heard of him
I dont know whether he is dead or alive
I was getting two dollars a day when I
got hurt & would have had my 15 shilling
now but accidents will hapen well I
must now close for I have to go & get
^{my} hand drest I have ben thinking of
coming of over but it is to far to
walk this warm weather I now close
hoping to hear from you again
soon may sends her respects to all
good by from your affectionate brother
Robert Skill
I ought to have ben insured now then

^{I would}
I have drawn 20 dollars a week while I am laid up but I am too late for that now-

if I had been insured
for four thousand